

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Geraldine Joyce “Peggy” Hardin.

WHEREAS, it was with great sadness and a profound sense of loss that the members of this General Assembly and the citizens of our state learned of the death of Ms. Geraldine Joyce “Peggy” Hardin of Erwin; and

WHEREAS, Peggy Hardin was a distinguished citizen of the state of Tennessee who was very dedicated to her profession, community and family; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hardin exemplified the spirit and dedication that is characteristic of a true Tennessean as she spent several years working with area youth in the Summer Employment and Training Program; and

WHEREAS, while working as the Carter County Training Representative, Ms. Hardin earned the esteem of her colleagues and program participants alike as she went above and beyond the call of duty to care for the safety, material needs, and well-being of the young people under her charge; and

WHEREAS, even failing health did not keep Ms. Hardin from the work she so dearly loved; until her death, she interacted with the young people she cared for, counseling them and helping them to better their lives; and

WHEREAS, a native Carter Countian, Ms. Hardin was the daughter of Lawrence “Beardy” and Mary Whittaker Holly of Elizabethton, and she was an active and devout member of the Southside Freewill Baptist Church in Erwin; and

WHEREAS, although Ms. Hardin has relinquished this life for a far greater existence, the legacy she leaves behind will be long remembered and treasured by friends and associates for many years to come; and

WHEREAS, for many years, Ms. Hardin enjoyed the loving companionship of her husband, Samuel L. "Bubby" Hardin; she was the proud parent of two daughters, Tammy Hardin Hedge of Centerville, Ohio, and Lori Hardin Armstrong of Erwin; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this legislative body pause in its deliberations to remember the exemplary life of this fine Tennessean; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby pause to mourn the death while also celebrating the life of Geraldine Joyce "Peggy" Hardin of Erwin.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final resolving clause omitted from such copy.